Xiang Wu 1201W – 3 Rosewater Street, Richmond Hill, ON L4C 5T6 September 18th, 2023

The City of Richmond Hill 225 East Beaver Creek Road, Ground Floor, Richmond Hill, ON L4B 3P4

Dear The City of Richmond Hill,

We, the collective voice of the Westwood Gardens, representing a united community of residents, write to you today with shared concerns and emotions regarding the changes that are looming in our beloved neighborhood. Richmond Hill has always held a special place in our hearts. It is a city steeped in history, culture, and vibrant communities, and we have proudly contributed to its growth and vibrancy.

However, we now face a significant challenge with a proposed development project that threatens to impact our community in profound ways. A diverse group of residents who have chosen this neighborhood as their home, attracted not only by the property but also by the unique ambiance and stunning views it affords.

<u>The proposed development</u>, while acknowledging the need for progress and urban growth, threatens to alter the very essence of our community. The panoramic views that have been an integral part of our daily lives, connecting us to Richmond Hill's history and natural beauty, are now at risk of being obscured.

As a community, we firmly believe in our rights as condo owners and residents to a certain quality of life that encompasses the preservation of the environment and views that have drawn us to this place. Our connections in these homes go beyond legal and contractual obligations.

We respectfully request that the City of Richmond Hill, along with its representatives, take into consideration the collective impact on our longstanding residents. Richmond Hill's identity is a mosaic of its history, its people, and the unique character of its neighborhoods. We implore you to find a balance between progress and the preservation of our community's distinctive features.

Collectively, we urge the City of Richmond Hill to re-evaluate the proposed development and explore alternatives that would minimize disruption to our community. We are ready and willing to engage in open and collaborative discussions to seek a solution that benefits all stakeholders. Together, we can ensure that Richmond Hill continues to be a city that fosters pride among its residents, both current and future.

Thank you for your attention to our shared concerns and for your commitment to the welfare of our community. We eagerly await your response and hope to work in partnership to safeguard Richmond Hill's unique charm for generations to come.

Sincerely,

Xiang Wu